HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 151 By DeBerry J

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Dr. Herman Tacker for his laudable service as an optometrist in Memphis.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those citizens who, through their diligent professional endeavors, have made the State of Tennessee a better place for all of us to live; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Herman L. Tacker of Lakeland is one such remarkable individual, having spent nearly forty years as an extremely successful optometrist and researcher in Memphis; and

WHEREAS, born in the small Tennessee community of Finger, Dr. Tacker attended
Chester County High School and then the University of Memphis before enrolling at the
Southern College of Optometry; after he received his O.D. in 1965, he was licensed to practice
Optometry in Tennessee, a licensure that he maintains today; and

WHEREAS, constantly devoted to furthering his education, Dr. Tacker also earned an M.S. from Indiana University in 1968; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tacker's professional achievements, both past and present, are impressive and wide-ranging; he has been an instructor, Associate Professor, and Professor at the Southern College of Optometry and a clinical investigator for many different manufacturers

of soft, rigid, extended wear, and gas permeable contact lenses, in addition to forming the Optometry Group, PC and the Optometry Group of America, Inc.; Dr. Tacker is also past President of the West Tennessee Optometric Society, Eyecare International, PC, and Eyecare International, Inc., and was on the Board of Directors for Omega Health Services; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his diverse professional experiences and achievements, Dr.

Tacker is also a member of the West Tennessee Optometric Society, the Tennessee

Optometric Association, the American Optometric Association, the American Academy of

Optometry, and Sigma Xi; and

WHEREAS, his many personal and professional achievements aside, Dr. Tacker is most appreciative of the love he shares with his family; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tacker exemplifies the dedication and professionalism that are characteristic of true Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should pay tribute to this remarkable doctor, researcher, and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Dr. Herman Tacker for his meritorious service to the people of Memphis and the State of Tennessee as an optometrist, and wish him the best in his every future endeavor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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